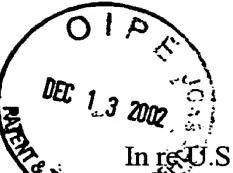
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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Final Office Action mailed 13 August 2002, for one month, i.e., from 13 November 2002 to 13 December 2002. A check including the amount of \$55.00 for the one month extension of time fee is attached.

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